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Did You Hear the Good News?



Dear Friends,

There's an expression in the media, "if it bleeds, it leads." The top news stories of the day are often focused on crime, corruption, or disaster. The media has a responsibility to report on these issues and, yes, we face incredible challenges. But there are countless good things happening in our community, as well, and I think it's important that we stop to smell the roses, so to speak, and celebrate the good news of the day.

Did you know, for example, that the Tomaquag Museum in Exeter was [awarded a 2016 National Medal for Museum and Library Sciences](#)? This is the most prestigious recognition out there for museums and libraries, and Tomaquag – whose Executive Director, Loren Spears, is a member of my Arts Advisory Committee – was one of just 10 institutions nationwide to earn this distinction.

Did you know that President Obama recently unveiled a plan to invest \$90 million in expanding apprenticeships? As co-chair of the Congressional Career and Technical Education Caucus, I understand

Join the Conversation:



Save The Date

LUNCH WITH LANGEVIN

Join the conversation!

Saturday, June 11

Noon-2:00pm

Bravo Wood Fired Pizza
6689 Post Rd
North Kingstown

Did You Know...?

DC VISITS

Summer vacation will be here before you know it. Rep. Langevin's office can help you navigate the nation's capital with information on tours, tickets, and sightseeing. >>

FAST FACT

April was National Autism Awareness Month, and Rep. Langevin spoke on the House floor about the great work being done by the Autism Project of Rhode Island. >>

In Other News

HONORING A HERO

Rep. Langevin was with the family of fallen soldier, First Sgt. P. Andrew McKenna, at

that hands-on learning and on-the-job training are proven methods for strengthening our workforce and therefore our economy, and [this investment will be a huge boost for both](#).

Or did you know that Rhode Island [hosted U.S. Secretary of Energy Dr. Ernest Moniz](#) for a roundtable conversation on clean energy? We have much to be proud of in this arena, especially with our world-class colleges and universities, and our state's vibrant culture of research, technology, and innovation was at center stage for this important visit.

There is creativity, kindness, and innovation around every corner in Rhode Island, and that's something we should never stop celebrating. Keep up with the good news on my social media platforms on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and [Instagram](#).

Sincerely,

Jim Langevin



#AskLangevin

I am always looking for new ways to engage my constituents, from my quarterly Lunch with Langevin program to my in-person Town Hall meetings. On May 9, from 12 to 1 p.m., I will engage a new audience of constituents with my [first-ever Twitter Town Hall](#). You can participate in this online, interactive forum by tweeting your questions with the hashtag, [#AskLangevin](#), or following along at [Twitter.com/JimLangevin](#).



Cyber Guidelines

Our society is increasingly reliant on technology, and as is the case with all networked devices – from smart meters to connected cars – there is the threat of abuse. The ability to bring medical devices online presents a tremendous opportunity for health care providers and patients, making it possible to deliver care more efficiently and effectively, but it does not come without its risks. [I weighed in on the cybersecurity protocols needed for medical devices](#) in a letter to the Food and Drug Administration. Manufacturers must do everything possible to address vulnerabilities and protect patients.

the ceremonial naming of a Bristol highway. >>

BUG BOUNTY

As co-chair of the Congressional Cybersecurity Caucus, Rep. Langevin applauded the Department of Defense on their leadership in improving cyber defenses. >>

DRONING ON

After attending a roundtable on drones hosted by Senator Sheldon Whitehouse, Rep. Langevin introduced companion legislation to improve safety for unmanned aircraft. >>

KIDS FIRST

During a speech on the House floor, Rep. Langevin called for action to end violence and neglect against children. >>

WORK OF ART

Rep. Langevin hosted his 16th annual Congressional Art Competition for high school students, with winners being recognized at a celebration and awards ceremony at the Warwick Mall. >>

CUSTOMERS FIRST

At a Customer Assistance Expo hosted by National Grid, Rep. Langevin spoke with constituents about important community resources available to them. >>

OUR TOWN

Rep. Langevin joined Senator Jack Reed for a visit to the Johnston Senior Center. >>

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